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## Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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Application No. : 10/811437

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Title: Small Form Factor Optical Connector with Thermoplastic Adhesive

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

## 1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114

- a.  Previously submitted
  - i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
  - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
  - iii.  Other
- b.  Enclosed
  - i.  Amendment/Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/Supplemental IDS
  - iv.  Other

2.  A Request for Extension of Time is being filed concurrently

3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)

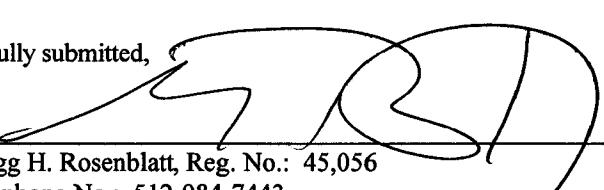
- a.  The Director is authorized to charge the fees required by 37 CFR § 1.17(e) to  
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- The RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) will be made at the time of submission via EFS-Web.
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